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SCARCITY OF MONEY—PRAYING FOR A ROAD—DEPARTURE OF MISS HELLENA MITCHELL—BAPTIST PARSONAGE—PROSPECTIVE MARRIAGE OF A MINISTER—RETURN OF MR. R. H. PALMER'S FAMILY—HOPEFUL OF GETTING ICE.

Our town has been unusually quiet since my last letter. Trade in the mercantile line seems to be on the increase, although everybody seems to complain of the scarcity of money and hard times.

There has been a considerable quantity of hay and wheat shipped from this section by the Shenandoah Valley Railroad to points south of this. I understand the prices realized are very low, but the farmers say they are compelled to sell.

There is now in circulation a petition to the County Court praying that a road may be established from the top of the hill this side of the Shenandoah Valley Depot to the depot, in order to obviate the necessity of hauling on the right of way of the Shenandoah Valley road, which is a very dangerous pass for 500 yards from the County road to the Depot.

Miss Hellena Mitchell of Selma, Alabama, who has been in this neighborhood since last July took her departure to her home in the sunny south to join her father and sister, much to the regret of her many friends here. She, by her genial and lively character, endeared herself to everyone with whom she became acquainted, and especially the young gentlemen of Greenville and vicinity, as was plainly seen by a close observer after her departure. We are in hopes she may return in the near future and make her future home amongst us.

We understand the Baptist congregation of this place is looking out for some property to purchase for a Parsonage.

From all the indications we would not be surprised to hear of the marriage at an early day of their beloved and popular Pastor, Rev. C. G. Merryman. If such should be the case, the bride would meet with a warm welcome by Mr. Merryman's many friends, both in and out of the Baptist church.

Mr. R. H. Palmer's family who moved to Thurmond, West Virginia, about six months since, returned here on last Saturday, and will take up their abode in their beautiful residence in this place. Mr. Palmer still remains at Thurmond.

We are now having the coldest weather we have had this winter. If it continues a few days, we are in hopes some ice can be gathered. So far, there has none been housed in this neighborhood this winter. M. E. S.

Western Lunatic Asylum.